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TITLE: Identification and characterization of a serine hydroxymethyltransferase isoform in *Caenorhabditis briggsae*.  
AUTHOR(S): Vatcher, G. P.; Barbazuk, W. B.; O'Neil, N. J.; Marra, M. A.; Ha, T.; Baillie, D. L. (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Institute of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, British Columbia, V5A 1S6 Canada  
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DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199699055135  
TITLE: Molecular cloning of the Golgi apparatus uridine diphosphate-N-acetylglucosamine transporter from *Kluyveromyces lactis*.  
AUTHOR(S): Abeijon, Claudia (1); Robbins, Phillips W.; Hirschberg, Carlos B. (1)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Dep. Biochem.. Mol. Biol., Univ. Mass. Med. Cent., Worcester, MA 01655 USA  
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TITLE: Characterization of gene function using double-stranded RNA inhibition

INVENTOR(S): Plaetinck, Geert; Platteeuw, Christ; Mortier, Katherine; Bogaert, Thierry

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Devgen N.V., Belg.

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AB There is provided a method of identifying DNA responsible for conferring a particular **phenotype** in a cell which method comprises (a) constructing a cDNA or **genomic library** of the DNA of

said cell in a suitable vector in an orientation relative to a promoter(s) capable of initiating transcription of said cDNA or DNA to double-stranded (ds) RNA upon binding of an appropriate transcription factor to said promoter(s), (b) introducing said library into one or more of said cells comprising said transcription factor, and (c) identifying and isolating a particular **phenotype** of said cell comprising said library and identifying the DNA or cDNA fragment from said library responsible for conferring said **phenotype**. Using this technique it is also possible to assign function to a known DNA sequence by (a) identifying a homolog(s) of said DNA sequence in a cell, (b) isolating the relevant DNA homolog(s) or a fragment thereof from said cell, (c) cloning said homolog or fragment thereof into an appropriate vector in an orientation relative to a suitable promoter(s) capable of initiating transcription of dsRNA from said DNA homolog or fragment upon binding of an appropriate transcription factor to said promoter(s), and (d) introducing said vector into said cell from step (a) comprising said transcription factor. Thus, an ordered library for inhibitory dsRNA technol. can be prep'd. harboring every gene of the *Caenorhabditis elegans* genome; the resulting **phenotypes** can give a functional description to the gene or gene family or gene homologs of the *C. elegans* genome. Plasmid vectors are described incorporating phage T3, T7, and SP6 RNA polymerase genes and promoters for expression in *C. elegans*. Inhibitory dsRNA technol. can also be used to validate clones identified in yeast 2-hybrid vector expts.

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TITLE: Identification and characterization of a serine hydroxymethyltransferase isoform in *Caenorhabditis briggsae*

AUTHOR(S): Watcher, G. P.; Barbazuk, W. B.; O'Neil, N. J.; Marra, M. A.; Ha, T.; Baillie, D. L.

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TITLE: Molecular cloning of the Golgi apparatus uridine diphosphate-N-acetylglucosamine transporter from *Kluyveromyces lactis*  
AUTHOR(S): Abeijon, Claudia; Robbins, Phillips W.; Hirschberg, Carlos B.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Dep. Biochem. Mol. Biol., Univ. Massachusetts Med. Cent., Worcester, MA, 01655, USA  
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AUTHOR: Vatcher G.P.; Barbazuk W.B.; O'Neil N.J.; Marra M.A.; Ha T.; Baillie D.L.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: D.L. Baillie, Inst. of Molec. Biology/Biochemistry, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC V5A 1S6, Canada  
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